201 KAR 46:040. Medical imaging technologist, advanced imaging professional, radiographer, nuclear medicine technologist, and radiation therapist licenses.

RELATES TO: KRS 311B.020, 311B.050, 311B.100(2), 311B.110, 311B.120, 311B.180, 311B.190

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 311B.050, 311B.080, 311B.100(2), 311B.110

NECESSITY, FUNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 311B.050 requires the Board of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy to promulgate administrative regulations to establish the procedures for the issuance and renewal of a license. KRS 311B.100(2) and KRS 311B.110(6) require the board to promulgate administrative regulations to establish the qualifications for an advanced imaging professional, a medical imaging technologist, a radiographer, a radiation therapist, and a nuclear medicine technologist. This administrative regulation establishes requirements for licensure, renewal, and reinstatement.

- Section 1. Eligibility for an Advanced Imaging Professional, a Medical Imaging Technologist, a Radiographer, a Radiation Therapist, and a Nuclear Medicine Technologist License. A person shall not be eligible for a license pursuant to this administrative regulation for diagnostic imaging or therapeutic purposes unless the person has:
- (1) Satisfactorily passed the national examination administered by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists or the Nuclear Medicine Technology Certification Board examination; and
- (2) Satisfactorily completed a program in radiography, nuclear medicine technology, radiation therapy, or advanced imaging practice that has achieved and maintained programmatic accreditation recognized by the board as described in 201 KAR 46:030.

Section 2. Application for Initial License. (1) An applicant shall submit:

- (a) A completed and signed application KBMIRT Form 1;
- (b) A non-refundable initial application and license fee as established by 201 KAR 46:020, Section 1:
- (c) The results of a criminal background check completed within the past six (6) months in state of residence and employment and any other state of residence and employment within the past five (5) years;
 - (d) A copy of a government-issued photo ID;
 - (e) Documentation of active registration or certification with the ARRT or NMTCB; and
- (f) Verification of graduation from a program accredited by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology or the Joint Review Committee on Educational Programs in Nuclear Medicine Technology.
- (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1)(f) of this section, if a student enters a program not under probation, and the majority of the education program is completed under the accreditation required under 201 KAR 46:030, then the board may waive the accreditation standard as long as the graduate passes the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) examination on the first attempt.

Section 3. Applicant from an Unaccredited Educational Program. If an applicant qualifies for licensure under KRS 311B.100(3), the applicant shall submit and satisfy the requirements of Section 2(1)(a) through (e) of this administrative regulation and shall submit proof:

(1) Of an active valid license or certificate from another jurisdiction's regulatory board to practice as an advanced imaging professional, medical imaging technologist, radiographer, radiation therapist, or nuclear medicine technologist and is in good standing;

- (2) Of certification or licensure by a national organization recognized by the board;
- (3) That the applicant has not been disciplined as an advanced imaging professional, medical imaging technologist, radiographer, radiation therapist, or nuclear medicine technologist by any jurisdiction or national organization that has issued a license or certificate to the applicant;
- (4) Of a minimum of five (5) years of work experience as a certified or licensed advanced imaging professional, medical imaging technologist, radiographer, radiation therapist, or nuclear medicine technologist; and
- (5) That the applicant maintained continuing education requirements during the applicant's period of licensure or certification, which includes copies of any continuing education certificates received for attending from the sponsor.
- Section 4. The issued license shall identify the licensee as an advanced imaging professional, a medical imaging technologist, a radiographer, a radiation therapist, or a nuclear medicine technologist. The medical imaging technologist license shall also identify any ARRT or NMTCB disciplines awarded to the licensee.

Section 5. The license shall expire annually on the last day of the licensee's birth month.

Section 6. Renewal of License. To renew a license, the licensee shall submit:

- (1) KBMIRT Form 2;
- (2) Verification of current active status with the ARRT or NMTCB; and
- (3) The renewal license fee as established by 201 KAR 46:020, Section 2.

Section 7. Reinstatement of Lapsed License. (1) A licensee who has allowed the license to lapse for more than one (1) month but less than twelve (12) months shall be eligible to be reinstated upon:

- (a) Submission of KBMIRT Form 2;
- (b) Submission of documentation of twenty-four (24) hours of approved continuing education biennially; and
- (c) The payment of reinstatement, late, and renewal fees as established by 201 KAR 46:020, Sections 2, 7, and 14.
 - (2) A licensee whose license has lapsed for more than twelve (12) months shall submit:
 - (a) Verification of current active status with the ARRT or NMTCB;
 - (b) KBMIRT Form 1;
- (c) Continuing education KBMIRT Form 8, as incorporated by reference in 201 KAR 46:060, that documents twenty-four (24) hours of approved continuing education;
- (d) The non-refundable initial application and license fee as established by 201 KAR 46:020, Section 1;
- (e) The results of a criminal background check completed within the past six (6) months in state of residence and employment and any other state of residence and employment within the past five (5) years; and
 - (f) A copy of a government-issued photo ID.

Section 8. Reinstatement of Revoked License. An applicant seeking reinstatement after a license revocation shall follow the same process as a new applicant as required under KRS 311B.100, 311B.110, and this administrative regulation.

Section 9. Temporary License. The board may, upon completion of Form KBMIRT 3, as incorporated by reference in 201 KAR 46:045, and payment of the fee established in 201 KAR

46:020, Section 3, issue a temporary license to an applicant who has successfully completed an approved course of study in radiography, nuclear medicine technology, radiation therapy, or an advanced imaging profession and meets the other requirements of 201 KAR 46:045 other than having taken the required examination. A temporary license shall be effective for one (1) year only and shall not be renewable.

Section (10) Continuing Education Audit Process. (1) The board shall select a sample of licensees to audit for continuing education compliance.

- (2) The board shall send each licensee selected for audit a notification of audit.
- (3) Each licensee shall maintain his or her personal files such as certificates or records of credit from approved continuing education programs from the current biennium and immediate prior biennium.
- (4) A licensee selected for audit shall provide the board with a copy of his or her certificate or records of completion.
- (5) Failure to comply with an audit may result in non-renewal, suspension, or revocation of license.

Section (11) Contrast Procedures. Only individuals holding a license pursuant to this administrative regulation shall perform diagnostic imaging or radiation therapy procedures regulated by KRS Chapter 311B at facilities where contrast studies are performed.

Section (12) CT Training for Nuclear Medicine Technologists and Radiation Therapists. Individuals who are licensed in the primary discipline of nuclear medicine or radiation therapy, are certified by the ARRT or NMTCB, and are seeking post-primary certification in computed tomography (CT) may work under the direct supervision of a licensed and certified CT technologist to gain clinical competency. An individual who wishes to complete clinical training in CT shall submit a Provisional License Application, as incorporated by reference in 201 KAR 46:050, which shall expire twenty-four (24) months from the date of issuance.

Section (13) PET Training for Radiographers and Radiation Therapists. Individuals who are licensed in the primary discipline of radiography or radiation therapy, are certified by the ARRT, and are seeking post-primary certification in positron emission tomography (PET) may work under the direct supervision of a licensed and certified PET technologist with the permission of an authorized user to gain clinical competency. An individual who wishes to complete clinical training in PET shall submit a Provisional License Application, as incorporated by reference in 201 KAR 46:050, which shall expire twenty-four (24) months from the date of issuance.

Section (14) Applications for licensure shall be filed with the Board of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy, 125 Holmes Street, Suite 320, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

Section (15) Incorporation by Reference. (1) The following material is incorporated by reference:

- (a) KBMIRT Form 1, "License Application-Medical Imaging or Radiation Therapy", February 2017; and
- (b) KBMIRT Form 2, "License Renewal Application-Medical Imaging or Radiation Therapy", February 2017.
- (2) This material may be inspected, copied, or obtained, subject to applicable copyright law, at the Board of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy, 125 Holmes Street, Suite 320, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (1 Ky.R. 1160; Am. 2

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